

# Frank Kinney Park

## **Proposed Improvements**

## **Revised Concept Plan - March 2003**

Natural Areas (97% of park area, p	roposed)	
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<u>Protect existing natural areas</u> (areas of significant native vegetation and habitat value), and protect the natural "feel" of the park through: Using the administrative order adoption process to <u>officially designate</u> existing habitat areas for ongoing habitat management Managing access to reduce impacts to habitat areas Locating facilities outside of areas of significant native vegetation Using <u>natural materials</u>, natural colors and low-impact construction methods Enhance existing natural areas through: Invasive species removal Increasing biodiversity through re-introduction of native plant species Continuing and mandating management practices to maintain and improve habitat value, i.e. late-season mowing, leaving snags and large woody debris, etc. Improve the <u>habitat value</u> of existing areas of low habitat value through: Adding native trees, shrubs, grasses and forbs Application of natural area management practices on new areas Repair, protect and maintain Amazon Creek through collaboration with other City programs such as the Water Resources Team and the Stream Team Recognize the need for <u>fire safety</u> around adjacent properties by maintaining required fire breaks

### Access and Park Amenities (3% of park area, proposed)

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- Provide a <u>designated</u>, <u>disabled-accessible parking space</u> on Martin Street
- Extend the sidewalk on Martin Street to West Amazon Drive
- Provide minimum-width (5'), <u>accessible-surface pathways</u> using <u>natural</u>, crushed stone with an <u>environmentally-friendly</u> polymer binder
- Provide a small, low-impact <u>children's play</u> area
  - Using <u>natural materials and colors</u> harmonious with the natural setting
  - Located away from areas of high habitat value and greatest "natural" experience
  - Located <u>conveniently</u> and designed to allow <u>universal access</u>
  - ► Including a small <u>sand/water play</u> feature

Provide <u>basic park amenities</u> , including benches, trash receptacles, b	oike parking,	signage,	and a
drinking fountain			

#### ☐ Improve the Rexius Trail

- Reconstruct the Rexius Trail within the park to improve the surface, address drainage issues, and reduce maintenance costs
- The trail may also be improved <u>north of the neighborhood park area</u> as the budget allows
- Maintain <u>current alignment</u>
- ► <u>Minimize interruptions</u> to the soft-surface trail experience
- ► Add a small <u>stretching/exercise station</u>